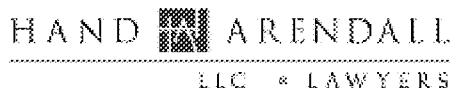


From: Ben Goldman <bgoldman@handarendall.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 9, 2016 2:54 PM
To: Gilbert, Joel <jgilbert@balch.com>
Subject: FW: Tarrant Elementary School

FYI . . .



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From: Mize Dr. Shelly [mailto:mizes@tarrant.k12.al.us]
Sent: Tuesday, February 09, 2016 2:46 PM
To: Trant, Sid; Yuengert, Anne; Ben Goldman
Cc: Mize Dr. Shelly
Subject: Fwd: Tarrant Elementary School

FYI. I asked Beth to not respond and to stay out of it. Just wanted to make you aware of what is going on. (see email chain below)

Sid: Kelley J and I are talking about getting information out to parents. We are thinking of sending home a letter to parents with explaining that we have been proactive in ensuring the safety and well-being of our children. What if you edit our letter?

Shelly

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Begin forwarded message:

From: Beth McDavid <mcdavidb@tarrant.k12.al.us>
Subject: Fwd: Tarrant Elementary School
Date: February 9, 2016 at 1:26:45 PM CST
To: Mize Shelly <mizes@tarrant.k12.al.us>

Got this from Gail Harper Yeilding, don't know how to respond! Help! B

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Gail Harper Yeilding <ghyeilding@gmail.com>
Date: February 9, 2016 at 12:10:58 PM CST
To: McDavid Beth <mcdavidb@tarrant.k12.al.us>
Subject: Fwd: Tarrant Elementary School

Beth,

Do you know of anyone at the elementary school that I could get in touch with regarding this? Do you know anything about Get Smart Tarrant?

Thanks, hope all is well!

GH

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **Kirsten Bryant** <kirsten@gaspgroup.org>
Date: Wed, Feb 3, 2016 at 1:17 PM
Subject: Tarrant Elementary School
To: Gail Harper Yeilding <ghyeilding@gmail.com>

Hi Gail,

It has been awhile since we last corresponded, how is everything going with you?

I am hoping you may be able to help. Gasp submitted a petition to EPA in 2014 asking them to "investigate" potential contamination in Tarrant. EPA agreed to investigate (which they wouldn't have done if they didn't think there was likely a problem, we are told) and is in the process of getting soil samples right now.

Tarrant Elementary School is one of the 23 properties that EPA wanted to initially test. We just learned that the Tarrant City School System just withdrew, or reversed, their *Site Inspection Permission form* that gave EPA permission to go onto the property and test the soil.

The mayor of Tarrant is likely behind this along with a new, quasi group called, Get Smart Tarrant.

Apparently, Get Smart Tarrant doesn't want the EPA doing anything in Tarrant and they are spreading misinformation. See the attached sign someone alerted us to...

Determining whether or not citizens, especially children, are being exposed to toxic chemicals in the soil is what EPA is trying to do in Tarrant, they are taking the first step by responding to our petition.

As a mom, I thought reaching out to the PTA/PTO at Tarrant Elementary would be a good start. Do you happen to know anyone at Tarrant Elementary I should talk to?

Thanks Gail,
Kirsten

On Thu, Mar 27, 2014 at 5:21 PM, Kirsten Bryant <kirsten@gaspgroup.org> wrote:
Hi Gail,

Thanks for reaching out.

The large facilities that emit the most pollution have a pollution permit review every five years. We currently have a small window to influence those permits. Getting the public involved in these air permit meetings and hearings is critical to improving our air quality. (Note that all county residents can participate, we are targeting Tarrant due to the proximity of the plant - everyone in the county breathes the pollution, they just breathe more of it!)

Currently, we are encouraging citizens in Jefferson county to attend a public informational meeting on 3/31 at Tarrant Intermediate School regarding ABC Coke's draft air permit. **Anything you can do to encourage residents and those who work in Tarrant to attend Monday's Public Informational meeting is much appreciated!**

Attached is a flyer we are using to canvass the communities living closest to ABC Coke.

We welcome your involvement, thanks so much!

For clean and healthy air,
Kirsten

On Thu, Mar 27, 2014 at 12:14 PM, Gail Harper Yeilding <gbyeilding@gmail.com> wrote:
Kirsten,

I am a former teacher at Tarrant Middle/High School. Nelson put me in touch with you about helping out with the upcoming meeting on the 31st. I was unfortunately out of town on Monday and Tuesday when y'all got together. Is there anything else I can help out with? I have tried to spread the word through my contacts at Tarrant. Please let me know if there is any way else that I can help.

Thanks!

GH

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